

SENATE BILL 58

By Kilby

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,  
Chapter 5, Part 2, relative to compensation for  
teachers with graduate degrees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 5, Part 2, is amended by  
adding a new section thereto, as follows:

Section 49-5-208. It is the legislative intent to encourage Tennessee teachers to  
seek additional educational training. Each teacher who obtains a master's level degree  
at any accredited college or university in the subject area or field of study in which such  
person teaches or plans to teach in the public elementary or secondary schools of this  
state shall receive a salary supplement of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) annually.  
Each LEA may increase the salary supplement paid to its teachers who obtain a  
master's level degree.

SECTION 2. The provisions of this act shall only take effect if sufficient funds to  
implement the provisions of this act are included in the general appropriations act for the fiscal  
year in which this act becomes effective.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.